



Atty. Docket No.: 4245/2035B

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Elson, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/672,072  
Filed: September 25, 2003  
Entitled: Adhesive N, O-Carboxymethychitosan  
Coatings Which Inhibit Attachment of  
Substrate-Dependent Cells and Proteins

Examiner: Crane, L.

Group Art Unit: 1623

Conf. No.: 4689

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8a**

I hereby certify that this correspondence (and any paper or fee referred to as being enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Post Office as First Class Mail on the date indicated below in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Mary Wilson

Name of Person Mailing Paper

Signature of Person Mailing Paper

**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 15, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" and begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

Please enter the following amendments and remarks.